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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Monticello, Utah.

Sincerely,

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 291C1 (106.1 Mhz) to Monticello, Utah as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 291C1 (106.1 Mhz) to Monticello, Utah and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 291C1 to Monticello will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Monticello is located in Southeastern Utah. It is also located within San Juan County, a county of some 12,621 persons. Monticello has a population of 1,806 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 291C1 to Monticello will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Monticello is located at Moab, Utah. Moab is located 73 kilometers from Monticello.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Monticello is presently without local FM service.

- 4. Monticello would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 73 Kilometers of Monticello. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Monticello area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 291C1 can be allotted to Monticello and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Monticello, Utah	****	291C1

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 291C1 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 291C1 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 37 - 52' - 12", W. 109 - 20' - 30") are that of a site located within the community of Monticello. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 291C1 to Monticello. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Monticello. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Monticello would benefit from the allotment of channel 291C1. It has also been shown that channel 291C1 can be allotted to Monticello and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 291C1 for Monticello, Utah, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 291C1 be allotted to Monticello, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Monticello, Utah.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 291C1 (106.1 MHz), at N. 37 52 12, W. 109 20 30.

Searchi	ing Channel 29	91C1 (106.1	MH2	2):						
CALL	CITY		ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
K288AZ	Monticello		UT	288	D	L	11.1	0.0	252.1°	11.1
ALC	Ouray		CO	289	С	U	137.9	105.0	71.4°	32.9
KURA	Ouray		CO	289	C3	L	142.0	76.0	75.9°	66.0
KURA	Ouray		CO	289	C	C	157.1	105.0	68.5°	52.1
ALC	Basalt		CO	291	A	U	252.4	196.0		56.4
KNFO	Basalt		CO	291	A	L	262.3	196.0		66.3
ALC	Gallup		NM	291	C2	U	265.7	224.0	168.4°	41.7
KFMQ	Gallup		NM	291	C2	L	269.0	224.0	168.5°	45.0
K291AF	Castle Valley	7	\mathbf{UT}	291	D	L	73.1	0.0	1.2°	73.1
ALC	Pagosa Spring	gs	CO	292	C3	V	212.1	144.0	110.8°	68.1
K294AB	Dove Creek	-	CO	294	D	L	10.6	0.0	223.9°	10.6

FIGURE 1 MONTICELLO, UTAH MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING